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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 12/15/99, please amend as follows.

Add the following new claims:

2. The method of claim 1, wherein:

(a) said catalyst of step (b) of claim 1 includes ammonia.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein:

(a) said catalyst of step (a) of claim 2 is a mixture of ammonia and water with a ratio of ammonia to water held constant in time.

4. The method of claim 3, wherein:

(a) said mixture of step (a) of claim 3 obtains from bubbling ammonia through a water solution of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ .